REFERENCE TITLE: tax credits; business health insurance

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SB 1467

Introduced by Senator Cannell

AN ACT

AMENDING SECTION 43-222, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY LAWS 2005, CHAPTER 12, SECTION 1, CHAPTER 264, SECTION 1, CHAPTER 316, SECTION 2 AND CHAPTER 317, SECTION 10; REPEALING SECTION 43-222, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED BY LAWS 2005, CHAPTER 292, SECTION 1; AMENDING TITLE 43, CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE 5, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 43-1085; AMENDING TITLE 43, CHAPTER 11, ARTICLE 6, ARIZONA REVISED STATUTES, BY ADDING SECTION 43-1183; MAKING APPROPRIATIONS; RELATING TO INDIVIDUAL AND CORPORATE INCOME TAX CREDITS.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:
Section 1. Section 43-222, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws 2005, chapter 12, section 1, chapter 264, section 1, chapter 316, section 2 and chapter 317, section 10, is amended to read:
43-222. Income tax credit review schedule
Each year the joint legislative income tax credit review committee
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shall review the following income tax credits:

- 1. In 2005, sections 43-1087, 43-1088 and 43-1175.
- 2. In 2006, sections 43-1073, 43-1089, 43-1089.01, 43-1089.02, 43-1090, 43-1176 and 43-1181.
- 3. In 2007, sections 43-1077, 43-1078, 43-1079, 43-1080, 43-1165, 43-1166, 43-1167 and 43-1169.
- 4. In 2008, sections 43-1074.01, 43-1081, 43-1168, 43-1170 and 43-1178.
- 5. In 2009, sections 43-1076, 43-1081.01, 43-1083, 43-1084, 43-1162 and 43-1170.01.
 - 6. In 2010, sections 43-1075, and 43-1163.
- 7. In 2010, sections 43-1079.01, and 43-1090.01, 43-1163, 43-1167.01 AND 43-1182.
 - 8. 7. In 2011, section SECTIONS 43-1074.02, 43-1085 AND 43-1183. Sec. 2. Repeal

Section 43-222, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws 2005, chapter 292, section 1, is repealed.

Sec. 3. Title 43, chapter 10, article 5, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 43-1085, to read:

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43-1085. <u>Credit for small business health insurance:</u> <u>definitions</u>
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- A. FOR TAXABLE YEARS BEGINNING FROM AND AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2005 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2010, A CREDIT IS ALLOWED AGAINST THE TAXES IMPOSED BY THIS TITLE FOR A SMALL BUSINESS THAT PROVIDES HEALTH INSURANCE FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE SMALL BUSINESS. THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THIS SECTION, BUT NOT EXCEEDING ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS.
- B. FOR TAXABLE YEARS BEGINNING FROM AND AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2005 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2006, ANY SMALL BUSINESS THAT HAS CONTINUOUSLY PROVIDED HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME BEFORE JULY 1, 2006 MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:
- 1. ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2006, HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIERS SHALL ELECTRONICALLY SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) A LIST OF GROUP POLICY AND GROUP CONTRACT HOLDERS OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS THAT HAS A GROUP SIZE OF AT LEAST TWO AND NOT MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR.
- (b) THE NAME, ADDRESS AND FEDERAL INCOME TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS LISTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (a) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.
- (c) THE GROUP NUMBER AND GROUP SIZE OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS LISTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (a) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

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- (d) A TRACKING NUMBER FOR EACH SMALL BUSINESS LISTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (a) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.
- 2. IF A HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER CANNOT PROVIDE THE INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SUBSECTION, A SMALL BUSINESS MAY SUBMIT A LETTER TO THE DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2006 THAT INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) THE NAME, ADDRESS AND FEDERAL INCOME TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF THE SMALL BUSINESS.
- (b) THE NAME OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER OF THE SMALL BUSINESS AND THE APPLICABLE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE REGISTRATION NUMBER.
 - (c) THE POLICY NUMBER FOR THE SMALL BUSINESS.
- (d) THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS HAS CONTINUOUSLY OFFERED HEALTH INSURANCE TO FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME BEFORE JULY 1, 2006. THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT ARE OFFERED HEALTH INSURANCE BY THE SMALL BUSINESS SHALL BE TWENTY-FOUR OR LESS OR THE SMALL BUSINESS IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
- 3. IF THE INFORMATION THAT IS REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH 1 OR 2 OF THIS SUBSECTION IS NOT RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2006, THE SMALL BUSINESS IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
- 4. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT ALLOW TAX CREDITS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SECTION 43-1183, SUBSECTION B THAT EXCEED A COMBINED TOTAL OF TWENTY-FOUR MILLION DOLLARS. USING THE INFORMATION RECEIVED UNDER PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 2 OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF SMALL BUSINESSES THAT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SHALL CALCULATE THE AMOUNT OF THE TAX CREDIT THAT IS AVAILABLE FOR EACH SMALL BUSINESS. THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT SHALL NOT EXCEED ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS.
- 5. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ASSIGN A CREDIT CLAIM NUMBER TO EACH SMALL BUSINESS THAT IS ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SHALL SEND A WRITTEN NOTIFICATION TO EACH SMALL BUSINESS. THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION SHALL INDICATE THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT IF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION ARE MET AND IF THE SMALL BUSINESS PROVIDES A SIGNED AFFIRMATION WITH ITS RETURN THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS:
- (a) EMPLOYS AT LEAST TWO AND NOT MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR EMPLOYEES WHO ARE RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE.
- (b) DOES NOT PAY ANY EMPLOYEE AN ANNUAL TOTAL GROSS COMPENSATION, INCLUDING BONUSES AND COMMISSION, THAT EXCEEDS SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS.
- (c) OFFERS TO PAY FOR AT LEAST FIFTY PER CENT OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS DURING THE TAXABLE YEAR FOR EVERY EMPLOYEE.
- (d) WILL CONTINUE TO OFFER HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2007.
- 6. AT THE TIME OF FILING AND CLAIMING A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE SMALL BUSINESS SHALL ATTACH TO THE TAX RETURN THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT AND THE REQUIRED SIGNED AFFIRMATION. A CREDIT IS NOT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IF THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION AND AFFIRMATION ARE NOT ATTACHED TO THE TAX RETURN.

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- 7. THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS AVAILABLE TO A SMALL BUSINESS FOR TAX YEAR 2006.
- C. FOR TAXABLE YEARS BEGINNING FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2006 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2007, ANY SMALL BUSINESS THAT HAS CONTINUOUSLY PROVIDED HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES BEGINNING FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2006 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2007 MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:
- 1. ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2007, HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIERS SHALL ELECTRONICALLY SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) A LIST OF GROUP POLICY AND GROUP CONTRACT HOLDERS OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS THAT HAS A GROUP SIZE OF AT LEAST TWO AND NOT MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR.
- (b) THE NAME, ADDRESS AND FEDERAL INCOME TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS LISTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (a) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.
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- (a) THE NAME, ADDRESS AND FEDERAL INCOME TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF THE SMALL BUSINESS.
- (b) THE NAME OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER OF THE SMALL BUSINESS AND THE APPLICABLE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE REGISTRATION NUMBER.
 - (c) THE POLICY NUMBER FOR THE SMALL BUSINESS.
- (d) THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS HAS CONTINUOUSLY OFFERED HEALTH INSURANCE TO FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2006 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2007. THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT ARE OFFERED HEALTH INSURANCE BY THE SMALL BUSINESS SHALL BE TWENTY-FOUR OR LESS OR THE SMALL BUSINESS IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
- 3. IF THE INFORMATION THAT IS REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH 1 OR 2 OF THIS SUBSECTION IS NOT RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2007, THE SMALL BUSINESS IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
- 4. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT ALLOW TAX CREDITS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SECTION 43-1183, SUBSECTION C THAT EXCEED A COMBINED TOTAL OF ELEVEN MILLION DOLLARS. USING THE INFORMATION RECEIVED UNDER PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 2 OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF SMALL BUSINESSES THAT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SHALL CALCULATE THE AMOUNT OF THE TAX CREDIT THAT IS AVAILABLE FOR EACH SMALL BUSINESS. THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT SHALL NOT EXCEED ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS.
- 5. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ASSIGN A CREDIT CLAIM NUMBER TO EACH SMALL BUSINESS THAT IS ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SHALL SEND A WRITTEN NOTIFICATION TO EACH SMALL BUSINESS. THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION SHALL INDICATE THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT IF THE

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REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION ARE MET AND IF THE SMALL BUSINESS PROVIDES A SIGNED AFFIRMATION WITH ITS RETURN THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS:

- (a) EMPLOYS AT LEAST TWO AND NOT MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR EMPLOYEES WHO ARE RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE.
- (b) DOES NOT PAY ANY EMPLOYEE AN ANNUAL TOTAL GROSS COMPENSATION, INCLUDING BONUSES AND COMMISSION, THAT EXCEEDS SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS.
- (c) OFFERS TO PAY FOR AT LEAST FIFTY PER CENT OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS DURING THE TAXABLE YEAR FOR EVERY EMPLOYEE.
- (d) WILL CONTINUE TO OFFER HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2008.
- 6. AT THE TIME OF FILING AND CLAIMING A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE SMALL BUSINESS SHALL ATTACH TO THE TAX RETURN THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT AND THE REQUIRED SIGNED AFFIRMATION. A CREDIT IS NOT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IF THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION AND AFFIRMATION ARE NOT ATTACHED TO THE TAX RETURN.
- 7. THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS AVAILABLE TO A SMALL BUSINESS FOR TAX YEAR 2007.
- 8. THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY BE CLAIMED BEFORE THE 2008 FILING DEADLINE THROUGH A QUARTERLY TAX FILING.
- D. FOR TAXABLE YEARS BEGINNING FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2007 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2008, ANY SMALL BUSINESS THAT HAS CONTINUOUSLY PROVIDED HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES BEGINNING FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2007 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2008 MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:
- 1. ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2008, HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIERS SHALL ELECTRONICALLY SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) A LIST OF GROUP POLICY AND GROUP CONTRACT HOLDERS OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS THAT HAS A GROUP SIZE OF AT LEAST TWO AND NOT MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR.
- (b) THE NAME, ADDRESS AND FEDERAL INCOME TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS LISTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (a) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.
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- (d) A TRACKING NUMBER FOR EACH SMALL BUSINESS LISTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (a) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.
- 2. IF A HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER CANNOT PROVIDE THE INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SUBSECTION, A SMALL BUSINESS MAY SUBMIT A LETTER TO THE DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2008 THAT INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) THE NAME, ADDRESS AND FEDERAL INCOME TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF THE SMALL BUSINESS.
- (b) THE NAME OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER OF THE SMALL BUSINESS AND THE APPLICABLE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE REGISTRATION NUMBER.
 - (c) THE POLICY NUMBER FOR THE SMALL BUSINESS.
- (d) THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS HAS CONTINUOUSLY OFFERED HEALTH INSURANCE TO FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30,

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2007 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2008. THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT ARE OFFERED HEALTH INSURANCE BY THE SMALL BUSINESS SHALL BE TWENTY-FOUR OR LESS OR THE SMALL BUSINESS IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.

- 3. IF THE INFORMATION THAT IS REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH 1 OR 2 OF THIS SUBSECTION IS NOT RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT BY SEPTEMBER 1, 2008, THE SMALL BUSINESS IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
- 4. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT ALLOW TAX CREDITS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SECTION 43-1183, SUBSECTION D THAT EXCEED A COMBINED TOTAL OF ELEVEN MILLION DOLLARS. USING THE INFORMATION RECEIVED UNDER PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 2 OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF SMALL BUSINESSES THAT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SHALL CALCULATE THE AMOUNT OF THE TAX CREDIT THAT IS AVAILABLE FOR EACH SMALL BUSINESS. THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT SHALL NOT EXCEED ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS.
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- (d) WILL CONTINUE TO OFFER HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2009.
- 6. AT THE TIME OF FILING AND CLAIMING A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE SMALL BUSINESS SHALL ATTACH TO THE TAX RETURN THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT AND THE REQUIRED SIGNED AFFIRMATION. A CREDIT IS NOT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IF THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION AND AFFIRMATION ARE NOT ATTACHED TO THE TAX RETURN.
- 7. THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS AVAILABLE TO A SMALL BUSINESS FOR TAX YEAR 2008.
- 8. THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY BE CLAIMED BEFORE THE 2009 FILING DEADLINE THROUGH A QUARTERLY TAX FILING.
- E. FOR TAXABLE YEARS BEGINNING FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2008 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2009, ANY SMALL BUSINESS THAT HAS CONTINUOUSLY PROVIDED HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES BEGINNING FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2008 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2009 MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:
- 1. ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2009, HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIERS SHALL ELECTRONICALLY SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) A LIST OF GROUP POLICY AND GROUP CONTRACT HOLDERS OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS THAT HAS A GROUP SIZE OF AT LEAST TWO AND NOT MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR.

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- (b) THE NAME, ADDRESS AND FEDERAL INCOME TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS LISTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (a) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.
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- 4. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT ALLOW TAX CREDITS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SECTION 43-1183, SUBSECTION E THAT EXCEED A COMBINED TOTAL OF ELEVEN MILLION DOLLARS. USING THE INFORMATION RECEIVED UNDER PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 2 OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF SMALL BUSINESSES THAT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SHALL CALCULATE THE AMOUNT OF THE TAX CREDIT THAT IS AVAILABLE FOR EACH SMALL BUSINESS. THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT SHALL NOT EXCEED ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS.
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- (c) OFFERS TO PAY FOR AT LEAST FIFTY PER CENT OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS DURING THE TAXABLE YEAR FOR EVERY EMPLOYEE.
- (d) WILL CONTINUE TO OFFER HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010.

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- 6. AT THE TIME OF FILING AND CLAIMING A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE SMALL BUSINESS SHALL ATTACH TO THE TAX RETURN THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT AND THE REQUIRED SIGNED AFFIRMATION. A CREDIT IS NOT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IF THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION AND AFFIRMATION ARE NOT ATTACHED TO THE TAX RETURN.
- 7. THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS AVAILABLE TO A SMALL BUSINESS FOR TAX YEAR 2009.
- 8. THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY BE CLAIMED BEFORE THE 2010 FILING DEADLINE THROUGH A QUARTERLY TAX FILING.
- F. FOR TAXABLE YEARS BEGINNING FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2009 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2010, ANY SMALL BUSINESS THAT HAS CONTINUOUSLY PROVIDED HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES BEGINNING FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2009 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2010 MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:
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- (d) THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS HAS CONTINUOUSLY OFFERED HEALTH INSURANCE TO FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2009 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2010. THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT ARE OFFERED HEALTH INSURANCE BY THE SMALL BUSINESS SHALL BE TWENTY-FOUR OR LESS OR THE SMALL BUSINESS IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
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BUSINESSES THAT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SHALL CALCULATE THE AMOUNT OF THE TAX CREDIT THAT IS AVAILABLE FOR EACH SMALL BUSINESS. THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT SHALL NOT EXCEED ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS.

- 5. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ASSIGN A CREDIT CLAIM NUMBER TO EACH SMALL BUSINESS THAT IS ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SHALL SEND A WRITTEN NOTIFICATION TO EACH SMALL BUSINESS. THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION SHALL INDICATE THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT IF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION ARE MET AND IF THE SMALL BUSINESS PROVIDES A SIGNED AFFIRMATION WITH ITS RETURN THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS:
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- (c) OFFERS TO PAY FOR AT LEAST FIFTY PER CENT OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS DURING THE TAXABLE YEAR FOR EVERY EMPLOYEE.
- (d) WILL CONTINUE TO OFFER HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2011.
- 6. AT THE TIME OF FILING AND CLAIMING A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE SMALL BUSINESS SHALL ATTACH TO THE TAX RETURN THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT AND THE REQUIRED SIGNED AFFIRMATION. A CREDIT IS NOT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IF THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION AND AFFIRMATION ARE NOT ATTACHED TO THE TAX RETURN.
- 7. THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS AVAILABLE TO A SMALL BUSINESS FOR TAX YEAR 2010.
- 8. THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY BE CLAIMED BEFORE THE 2011 FILING DEADLINE THROUGH A QUARTERLY TAX FILING.
- G. A TAXPAYER WHO CLAIMS A CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL NOT CLAIM A CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION IN ANY SUBSEQUENT TAXABLE YEAR.
- H. IF THE ALLOWABLE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION EXCEEDS THE AMOUNT OF TAX DUE UNDER THIS TITLE, AFTER APPLYING ALL OTHER CREDITS TO WHICH THE CLAIMANT MAY BE ENTITLED AND AFTER ANY SETOFF UNDER SECTION 42-1122, THE EXCESS SHALL BE PAID IN THE SAME MANNER AS A REFUND UNDER SECTION 42-1118.
- I. CO-OWNERS OF A BUSINESS, INCLUDING PARTNERS IN A PARTNERSHIP AND SHAREHOLDERS OF AN S CORPORATION, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 1361 OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, MAY EACH CLAIM ONLY THE PRO RATA SHARE OF THE CREDIT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SECTION BASED ON THE OWNERSHIP INTEREST. THE TOTAL OF THE CREDITS ALLOWED ALL OF THE OWNERS SHALL NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN ALLOWED FOR A SOLE OWNER.
 - J. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION:
- 1. "EMPLOYEE" MEANS A FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEE WHO WORKS A REGULAR WORK WEEK OF AT LEAST TWENTY HOURS. EMPLOYEE DOES NOT INCLUDE OWNERS, PARTNERS OR SHAREHOLDERS OF A SMALL BUSINESS.
- 2. "HEALTH INSURANCE" MEANS AN ACCOUNTABLE HEALTH PLAN AS DEFINED IN SECTION 20-2301 OR A HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN AS DEFINED IN SECTION 36-2912.

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- 3. "HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER" MEANS AN ENTITY THAT PROVIDES HEALTH INSURANCE.
 - 4. "SMALL BUSINESS" MEANS AN EMPLOYER IN THIS STATE THAT:
- (a) EMPLOYS AT LEAST TWO AND NOT MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR EMPLOYEES WHO ARE RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE.
- (b) OFFERS TO PAY FOR AT LEAST FIFTY PER CENT OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS DURING THE TAXABLE YEAR FOR EVERY EMPLOYEE.
- (c) DOES NOT PAY ANY EMPLOYEE AN ANNUAL TOTAL GROSS COMPENSATION, INCLUDING BONUSES AND COMMISSION, THAT EXCEEDS SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS.
 - (d) HAS CONDUCTED THE SMALL BUSINESS FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR.
- Sec. 4. Title 43, chapter 11, article 6, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 43-1183, to read:

43-1183. <u>Credit for small business health insurance;</u> definitions

- A. FOR TAXABLE YEARS BEGINNING FROM AND AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2005 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2010, A CREDIT IS ALLOWED AGAINST THE TAXES IMPOSED BY THIS TITLE FOR A SMALL BUSINESS THAT PROVIDES HEALTH INSURANCE FOR EMPLOYEES OF THE SMALL BUSINESS. THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT SHALL BE DETERMINED BY THIS SECTION, BUT NOT EXCEEDING ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS.
- B. FOR TAXABLE YEARS BEGINNING FROM AND AFTER DECEMBER 31, 2005 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2006, ANY SMALL BUSINESS THAT HAS CONTINUOUSLY PROVIDED HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME BEFORE JULY 1, 2006 MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:
- 1. ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2006, HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIERS SHALL ELECTRONICALLY SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) A LIST OF GROUP POLICY AND GROUP CONTRACT HOLDERS OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS THAT HAS A GROUP SIZE OF AT LEAST TWO AND NOT MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR.
- (b) THE NAME, ADDRESS AND FEDERAL INCOME TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS LISTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (a) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.
- (c) THE GROUP NUMBER AND GROUP SIZE OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS LISTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (a) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.
- (d) A TRACKING NUMBER FOR EACH SMALL BUSINESS LISTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (a) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.
- 2. IF A HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER CANNOT PROVIDE THE INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SUBSECTION, A SMALL BUSINESS MAY SUBMIT A LETTER TO THE DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2006 THAT INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) THE NAME, ADDRESS AND FEDERAL INCOME TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF THE SMALL BUSINESS.
- (b) THE NAME OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER OF THE SMALL BUSINESS AND THE APPLICABLE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE REGISTRATION NUMBER.
 - (c) THE POLICY NUMBER FOR THE SMALL BUSINESS.
- (d) THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS HAS CONTINUOUSLY OFFERED HEALTH INSURANCE TO FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME BEFORE JULY 1, 2006. THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT ARE OFFERED HEALTH INSURANCE BY THE SMALL BUSINESS

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SHALL BE TWENTY-FOUR OR LESS OR THE SMALL BUSINESS IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.

- 3. IF THE INFORMATION THAT IS REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH 1 OR 2 OF THIS SUBSECTION IS NOT RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2006, THE SMALL BUSINESS IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
- 4. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT ALLOW TAX CREDITS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SECTION 43-1085, SUBSECTION B THAT EXCEED A COMBINED TOTAL OF TWENTY-FOUR MILLION DOLLARS. USING THE INFORMATION RECEIVED UNDER PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 2 OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF SMALL BUSINESSES THAT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SHALL CALCULATE THE AMOUNT OF THE TAX CREDIT THAT IS AVAILABLE FOR EACH SMALL BUSINESS. THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT SHALL NOT EXCEED ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS.
- 5. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ASSIGN A CREDIT CLAIM NUMBER TO EACH SMALL BUSINESS THAT IS ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SHALL SEND A WRITTEN NOTIFICATION TO EACH SMALL BUSINESS. THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION SHALL INDICATE THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT IF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION ARE MET AND IF THE SMALL BUSINESS PROVIDES A SIGNED AFFIRMATION WITH ITS RETURN THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS:
- (a) EMPLOYS AT LEAST TWO AND NOT MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR EMPLOYEES WHO ARE RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE.
- (b) DOES NOT PAY ANY EMPLOYEE AN ANNUAL TOTAL GROSS COMPENSATION, INCLUDING BONUSES AND COMMISSION, THAT EXCEEDS SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS.
- (c) OFFERS TO PAY FOR AT LEAST FIFTY PER CENT OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS DURING THE TAXABLE YEAR FOR EVERY EMPLOYEE.
- (d) WILL CONTINUE TO OFFER HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2007.
- 6. AT THE TIME OF FILING AND CLAIMING A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE SMALL BUSINESS SHALL ATTACH TO THE TAX RETURN THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT AND THE REQUIRED SIGNED AFFIRMATION. A CREDIT IS NOT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IF THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION AND AFFIRMATION ARE NOT ATTACHED TO THE TAX RETURN.
- 7. THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS AVAILABLE TO A SMALL BUSINESS FOR TAX YEAR 2006.
- C. FOR TAXABLE YEARS BEGINNING FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2006 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2007, ANY SMALL BUSINESS THAT HAS CONTINUOUSLY PROVIDED HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES BEGINNING FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2006 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2007 MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:
- 1. ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2007, HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIERS SHALL ELECTRONICALLY SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) A LIST OF GROUP POLICY AND GROUP CONTRACT HOLDERS OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS THAT HAS A GROUP SIZE OF AT LEAST TWO AND NOT MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR.
- (b) THE NAME, ADDRESS AND FEDERAL INCOME TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS LISTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (a) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.

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- (c) THE GROUP NUMBER AND GROUP SIZE OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS LISTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (a) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.
- (d) A TRACKING NUMBER FOR EACH SMALL BUSINESS LISTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (a) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.
- 2. IF A HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER CANNOT PROVIDE THE INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SUBSECTION, A SMALL BUSINESS MAY SUBMIT A LETTER TO THE DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2007 THAT INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) THE NAME, ADDRESS AND FEDERAL INCOME TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF THE SMALL BUSINESS.
- (b) THE NAME OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER OF THE SMALL BUSINESS AND THE APPLICABLE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE REGISTRATION NUMBER.
 - (c) THE POLICY NUMBER FOR THE SMALL BUSINESS.
- (d) THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS HAS CONTINUOUSLY OFFERED HEALTH INSURANCE TO FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2006 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2007. THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT ARE OFFERED HEALTH INSURANCE BY THE SMALL BUSINESS SHALL BE TWENTY-FOUR OR LESS OR THE SMALL BUSINESS IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
- 3. IF THE INFORMATION THAT IS REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH 1 OR 2 OF THIS SUBSECTION IS NOT RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2007, THE SMALL BUSINESS IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
- 4. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT ALLOW TAX CREDITS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SECTION 43-1085, SUBSECTION C THAT EXCEED A COMBINED TOTAL OF ELEVEN MILLION DOLLARS. USING THE INFORMATION RECEIVED UNDER PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 2 OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF SMALL BUSINESSES THAT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SHALL CALCULATE THE AMOUNT OF THE TAX CREDIT THAT IS AVAILABLE FOR EACH SMALL BUSINESS. THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT SHALL NOT EXCEED ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS.
- 5. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ASSIGN A CREDIT CLAIM NUMBER TO EACH SMALL BUSINESS THAT IS ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SHALL SEND A WRITTEN NOTIFICATION TO EACH SMALL BUSINESS. THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION SHALL INDICATE THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT IF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION ARE MET AND IF THE SMALL BUSINESS PROVIDES A SIGNED AFFIRMATION WITH ITS RETURN THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS:
- (a) EMPLOYS AT LEAST TWO AND NOT MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR EMPLOYEES WHO ARE RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE.
- (b) DOES NOT PAY ANY EMPLOYEE AN ANNUAL TOTAL GROSS COMPENSATION, INCLUDING BONUSES AND COMMISSION, THAT EXCEEDS SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS.
- (c) OFFERS TO PAY FOR AT LEAST FIFTY PER CENT OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS DURING THE TAXABLE YEAR FOR EVERY EMPLOYEE.
- (d) WILL CONTINUE TO OFFER HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2008.
- 6. AT THE TIME OF FILING AND CLAIMING A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE SMALL BUSINESS SHALL ATTACH TO THE TAX RETURN THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT AND THE REQUIRED SIGNED AFFIRMATION. A CREDIT

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IS NOT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IF THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION AND AFFIRMATION ARE NOT ATTACHED TO THE TAX RETURN.

- 7. THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS AVAILABLE TO A SMALL BUSINESS FOR TAX YEAR 2007.
- 8. THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY BE CLAIMED BEFORE THE 2008 FILING DEADLINE THROUGH A QUARTERLY TAX FILING.
- D. FOR TAXABLE YEARS BEGINNING FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2007 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2008, ANY SMALL BUSINESS THAT HAS CONTINUOUSLY PROVIDED HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES BEGINNING FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2007 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2008 MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:
- 1. ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2008, HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIERS SHALL ELECTRONICALLY SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) A LIST OF GROUP POLICY AND GROUP CONTRACT HOLDERS OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS THAT HAS A GROUP SIZE OF AT LEAST TWO AND NOT MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR.
- (b) THE NAME, ADDRESS AND FEDERAL INCOME TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS LISTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (a) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.
- (c) THE GROUP NUMBER AND GROUP SIZE OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS LISTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (a) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.
- (d) A TRACKING NUMBER FOR EACH SMALL BUSINESS LISTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (a) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.
- 2. IF A HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER CANNOT PROVIDE THE INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SUBSECTION, A SMALL BUSINESS MAY SUBMIT A LETTER TO THE DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2008 THAT INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) THE NAME, ADDRESS AND FEDERAL INCOME TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF THE SMALL BUSINESS.
- (b) THE NAME OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER OF THE SMALL BUSINESS AND THE APPLICABLE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE REGISTRATION NUMBER.
 - (c) THE POLICY NUMBER FOR THE SMALL BUSINESS.
- (d) THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS HAS CONTINUOUSLY OFFERED HEALTH INSURANCE TO FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2007 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2008. THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT ARE OFFERED HEALTH INSURANCE BY THE SMALL BUSINESS SHALL BE TWENTY-FOUR OR LESS OR THE SMALL BUSINESS IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
- 3. IF THE INFORMATION THAT IS REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH 1 OR 2 OF THIS SUBSECTION IS NOT RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2008, THE SMALL BUSINESS IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
- 4. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT ALLOW TAX CREDITS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SECTION 43-1085, SUBSECTION D THAT EXCEED A COMBINED TOTAL OF ELEVEN MILLION DOLLARS. USING THE INFORMATION RECEIVED UNDER PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 2 OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF SMALL BUSINESSES THAT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SHALL CALCULATE THE AMOUNT OF THE TAX CREDIT THAT IS AVAILABLE FOR EACH SMALL BUSINESS. THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT SHALL NOT EXCEED ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS.

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- 5. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ASSIGN A CREDIT CLAIM NUMBER TO EACH SMALL BUSINESS THAT IS ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SHALL SEND A WRITTEN NOTIFICATION TO EACH SMALL BUSINESS. THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION SHALL INDICATE THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT IF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION ARE MET AND IF THE SMALL BUSINESS PROVIDES A SIGNED AFFIRMATION WITH ITS RETURN THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS:
- (a) EMPLOYS AT LEAST TWO AND NOT MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR EMPLOYEES WHO ARE RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE.
- (b) DOES NOT PAY ANY EMPLOYEE AN ANNUAL TOTAL GROSS COMPENSATION, INCLUDING BONUSES AND COMMISSION, THAT EXCEEDS SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS.
- (c) OFFERS TO PAY FOR AT LEAST FIFTY PER CENT OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS DURING THE TAXABLE YEAR FOR EVERY EMPLOYEE.
- (d) WILL CONTINUE TO OFFER HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2009.
- 6. AT THE TIME OF FILING AND CLAIMING A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE SMALL BUSINESS SHALL ATTACH TO THE TAX RETURN THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT AND THE REQUIRED SIGNED AFFIRMATION. A CREDIT IS NOT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IF THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION AND AFFIRMATION ARE NOT ATTACHED TO THE TAX RETURN.
- 7. THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS AVAILABLE TO A SMALL BUSINESS FOR TAX YEAR 2008.
- 8. THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY BE CLAIMED BEFORE THE 2009 FILING DEADLINE THROUGH A QUARTERLY TAX FILING.
- E. FOR TAXABLE YEARS BEGINNING FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2008 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2009, ANY SMALL BUSINESS THAT HAS CONTINUOUSLY PROVIDED HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES BEGINNING FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2008 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2009 MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:
- 1. ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2009, HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIERS SHALL ELECTRONICALLY SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) A LIST OF GROUP POLICY AND GROUP CONTRACT HOLDERS OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS THAT HAS A GROUP SIZE OF AT LEAST TWO AND NOT MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR.
- (b) THE NAME, ADDRESS AND FEDERAL INCOME TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS LISTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (a) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.
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- 2. IF A HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER CANNOT PROVIDE THE INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SUBSECTION, A SMALL BUSINESS MAY SUBMIT A LETTER TO THE DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2009 THAT INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) THE NAME, ADDRESS AND FEDERAL INCOME TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF THE SMALL BUSINESS.

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- (b) THE NAME OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER OF THE SMALL BUSINESS AND THE APPLICABLE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE REGISTRATION NUMBER.
 - (c) THE POLICY NUMBER FOR THE SMALL BUSINESS.
- (d) THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS HAS CONTINUOUSLY OFFERED HEALTH INSURANCE TO FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2008 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2009. THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT ARE OFFERED HEALTH INSURANCE BY THE SMALL BUSINESS SHALL BE TWENTY-FOUR OR LESS OR THE SMALL BUSINESS IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
- 3. IF THE INFORMATION THAT IS REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH 1 OR 2 OF THIS SUBSECTION IS NOT RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2009, THE SMALL BUSINESS IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
- 4. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT ALLOW TAX CREDITS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SECTION 43-1085, SUBSECTION E THAT EXCEED A COMBINED TOTAL OF ELEVEN MILLION DOLLARS. USING THE INFORMATION RECEIVED UNDER PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 2 OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF SMALL BUSINESSES THAT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SHALL CALCULATE THE AMOUNT OF THE TAX CREDIT THAT IS AVAILABLE FOR EACH SMALL BUSINESS. THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT SHALL NOT EXCEED ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS.
- 5. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ASSIGN A CREDIT CLAIM NUMBER TO EACH SMALL BUSINESS THAT IS ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SHALL SEND A WRITTEN NOTIFICATION TO EACH SMALL BUSINESS. THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION SHALL INDICATE THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT IF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION ARE MET AND IF THE SMALL BUSINESS PROVIDES A SIGNED AFFIRMATION WITH ITS RETURN THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS:
- (a) EMPLOYS AT LEAST TWO AND NOT MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR EMPLOYEES WHO ARE RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE.
- (b) DOES NOT PAY ANY EMPLOYEE AN ANNUAL TOTAL GROSS COMPENSATION, INCLUDING BONUSES AND COMMISSION, THAT EXCEEDS SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS.
- (c) OFFERS TO PAY FOR AT LEAST FIFTY PER CENT OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS DURING THE TAXABLE YEAR FOR EVERY EMPLOYEE.
- (d) WILL CONTINUE TO OFFER HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010.
- 6. AT THE TIME OF FILING AND CLAIMING A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE SMALL BUSINESS SHALL ATTACH TO THE TAX RETURN THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT AND THE REQUIRED SIGNED AFFIRMATION. A CREDIT IS NOT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IF THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION AND AFFIRMATION ARE NOT ATTACHED TO THE TAX RETURN.
- 7. THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS AVAILABLE TO A SMALL BUSINESS FOR TAX YEAR 2009.
- 8. THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY BE CLAIMED BEFORE THE 2010 FILING DEADLINE THROUGH A QUARTERLY TAX FILING.
- F. FOR TAXABLE YEARS BEGINNING FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2009 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2010, ANY SMALL BUSINESS THAT HAS CONTINUOUSLY PROVIDED HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES BEGINNING FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME FROM AND AFTER

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JUNE 30, 2009 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2010 MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING:

- 1. ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2010, HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIERS SHALL ELECTRONICALLY SUBMIT TO THE DEPARTMENT THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) A LIST OF GROUP POLICY AND GROUP CONTRACT HOLDERS OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS THAT HAS A GROUP SIZE OF AT LEAST TWO AND NOT MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR.
- (b) THE NAME, ADDRESS AND FEDERAL INCOME TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF EACH SMALL BUSINESS LISTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (a) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.
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- (d) A TRACKING NUMBER FOR EACH SMALL BUSINESS LISTED PURSUANT TO SUBDIVISION (a) OF THIS PARAGRAPH.
- 2. IF A HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER CANNOT PROVIDE THE INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH 1 OF THIS SUBSECTION, A SMALL BUSINESS MAY SUBMIT A LETTER TO THE DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2010 THAT INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING:
- (a) THE NAME, ADDRESS AND FEDERAL INCOME TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OF THE SMALL BUSINESS.
- (b) THE NAME OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER OF THE SMALL BUSINESS AND THE APPLICABLE DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE REGISTRATION NUMBER.
 - (c) THE POLICY NUMBER FOR THE SMALL BUSINESS.
- (d) THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS HAS CONTINUOUSLY OFFERED HEALTH INSURANCE TO FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME FROM AND AFTER JUNE 30, 2009 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2010. THE NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES THAT ARE OFFERED HEALTH INSURANCE BY THE SMALL BUSINESS SHALL BE TWENTY-FOUR OR LESS OR THE SMALL BUSINESS IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
- 3. IF THE INFORMATION THAT IS REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH 1 OR 2 OF THIS SUBSECTION IS NOT RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1, 2010, THE SMALL BUSINESS IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION.
- 4. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL NOT ALLOW TAX CREDITS UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SECTION 43-1085, SUBSECTION F THAT EXCEED A COMBINED TOTAL OF ELEVEN MILLION DOLLARS. USING THE INFORMATION RECEIVED UNDER PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 2 OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DETERMINE THE NUMBER OF SMALL BUSINESSES THAT ARE ELIGIBLE FOR A TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SHALL CALCULATE THE AMOUNT OF THE TAX CREDIT THAT IS AVAILABLE FOR EACH SMALL BUSINESS. THE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT SHALL NOT EXCEED ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS.
- 5. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ASSIGN A CREDIT CLAIM NUMBER TO EACH SMALL BUSINESS THAT IS ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION AND SHALL SEND A WRITTEN NOTIFICATION TO EACH SMALL BUSINESS. THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION SHALL INDICATE THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A CREDIT IF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION ARE MET AND IF THE SMALL BUSINESS PROVIDES A SIGNED AFFIRMATION WITH ITS RETURN THAT THE SMALL BUSINESS:
- (a) EMPLOYS AT LEAST TWO AND NOT MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR EMPLOYEES WHO ARE RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE.

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- (b) DOES NOT PAY ANY EMPLOYEE AN ANNUAL TOTAL GROSS COMPENSATION, INCLUDING BONUSES AND COMMISSION, THAT EXCEEDS SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS.
- (c) OFFERS TO PAY FOR AT LEAST FIFTY PER CENT OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS DURING THE TAXABLE YEAR FOR EVERY EMPLOYEE.
- (d) WILL CONTINUE TO OFFER HEALTH INSURANCE TO ITS EMPLOYEES THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2011.
- 6. AT THE TIME OF FILING AND CLAIMING A CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION, THE SMALL BUSINESS SHALL ATTACH TO THE TAX RETURN THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT AND THE REQUIRED SIGNED AFFIRMATION. A CREDIT IS NOT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IF THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION AND AFFIRMATION ARE NOT ATTACHED TO THE TAX RETURN.
- 7. THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION IS AVAILABLE TO A SMALL BUSINESS FOR TAX YEAR 2010.
- 8. THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SUBSECTION MAY BE CLAIMED BEFORE THE 2011 FILING DEADLINE THROUGH A QUARTERLY TAX FILING.
- G. A TAXPAYER WHO CLAIMS A CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION SHALL NOT CLAIM A CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION IN ANY SUBSEQUENT TAXABLE YEAR.
- H. IF THE ALLOWABLE AMOUNT OF THE CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION EXCEEDS THE AMOUNT OF TAX DUE UNDER THIS TITLE, AFTER APPLYING ALL OTHER CREDITS TO WHICH THE CLAIMANT MAY BE ENTITLED AND AFTER ANY SETOFF UNDER SECTION 42-1122, THE EXCESS SHALL BE PAID IN THE SAME MANNER AS A REFUND UNDER SECTION 42-1118.
- I. CO-OWNERS OF A BUSINESS, INCLUDING CORPORATE PARTNERS IN A PARTNERSHIP, MAY EACH CLAIM ONLY THE PRO RATA SHARE OF THE CREDIT ALLOWED UNDER THIS SECTION BASED ON THE OWNERSHIP INTEREST. THE TOTAL OF THE CREDITS ALLOWED ALL SUCH OWNERS MAY NOT EXCEED THE AMOUNT THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN ALLOWED A SOLE OWNER.
 - J. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION:
- 1. "EMPLOYEE" MEANS A FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEE WHO WORKS A REGULAR WORK WEEK OF AT LEAST TWENTY HOURS. EMPLOYEE DOES NOT INCLUDE OWNERS, PARTNERS OR SHAREHOLDERS OF A SMALL BUSINESS.
- 2. "HEALTH INSURANCE" MEANS AN ACCOUNTABLE HEALTH PLAN AS DEFINED IN SECTION 20-2301 OR A HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN AS DEFINED IN SECTION 36-2912.
- 3. "HEALTH INSURANCE CARRIER" MEANS AN ENTITY THAT PROVIDES HEALTH INSURANCE.
 - 4. "SMALL BUSINESS" MEANS AN EMPLOYER IN THIS STATE THAT:
- (a) EMPLOYS AT LEAST TWO AND NOT MORE THAN TWENTY-FOUR EMPLOYEES WHO ARE RESIDENTS OF THIS STATE.
- (b) OFFERS TO PAY FOR AT LEAST FIFTY PER CENT OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUMS DURING THE TAXABLE YEAR FOR EVERY EMPLOYEE.
- (c) DOES NOT PAY ANY EMPLOYEE AN ANNUAL TOTAL GROSS COMPENSATION, INCLUDING BONUSES AND COMMISSION, THAT EXCEEDS SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS.
 - (d) HAS CONDUCTED THE SMALL BUSINESS FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR.

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Sec. 5. Purpose

Pursuant to section 43-223, Arizona Revised Statutes, the legislature enacts sections 43-1085 and 43-1183, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act, to reduce the amount of state income taxes paid by small business employers in this state who provide health insurance benefits to their employees.

Sec. 6. Appropriations; tax credit administration; exemption

- A. The sum of \$75,000 is appropriated from the state general fund in fiscal year 2006-2007 to the department of revenue for the department's administration of tax credits under sections 43-1085 and 43-1183, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act.
- B. The sum of \$30,000 is appropriated from the state general fund in each of fiscal years 2007-2008, 2008-2009, 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 to the department of revenue for the department's administration of tax credits under sections 43-1085 and 43-1183, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act.
- C. The appropriations made in this section are exempt from the provisions of section 35-190, Arizona Revised Statutes, relating to lapsing of appropriations.

Sec. 7. Exemption from rule making; emergency rules; department of revenue

The department of revenue is exempt from the rule making requirements of title 41, chapter 6, Arizona Revised Statutes, and shall adopt emergency rules pursuant to section 41-1026, Arizona Revised Statutes, to implement sections 43-1085 and 43-1183, Arizona Revised Statutes, as added by this act.

Sec. 8. Retroactivity

This act is effective and applies retroactively to taxable years beginning from and after December 31, 2005.

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